

under recoveries on account of irrecoverable/non-recoverable State taxes including central sales tax are made up through the extant state surcharge scheme.

Use of CNG in all Government vehicles

2415. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Compressed Natural Gas is a pollution-free fuel;

(b) if so, whether Government are going to take any concrete action to encourage use of this gas in the vehicles;

(c) whether it is also a fact that, so far, it is not being used even in the vehicles of Government Departments; and

(d) if so, by when Government will use this fuel in all Government vehicles?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Various incentives such as concessional custom duty on import of CNG kit, lower price of CNG vis-a-vis other fuels, no sales tax on CNG in Delhi etc., have been offered to encourage use of CNG.

(c) and (d) CNG is already being used in large number of Government vehicles.

Oil in the Krishna-Godavari project in A.P.

2416. SHRI RAMACHANDRAIAH RUMANDLA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether ONGC could find oil in a new structure in the Krishna-Godavari Project of Andhra Pradesh recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and